1 2 3 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 4 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA 5 6 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 7 CASE NO. CR11-5377BHS Plaintiff, 8 **ORDER** v. 9 ANN LOUISE LUDWIG, 10 Defendant. 11 This matter comes before the Court on Defendant's third motion to continue the trial date 12 in this case. The Court has considered the motion and affidavit of defense counsel and denies the 13 motion for the following reasons: 14 1. Defense counsel was appointed on January 7, 2011 and has continuously represented 15 Ms. Ludwig since that time. 16 2. Defendant was indicted on July 21, 2011, and since that time the defense has filed three unopposed motions to continue the trial date, including this motion. 17 3. In the two most recent affidavits in support of motions to continue trial, the defense 18 acknowledges that the amount of loss alleged by the government is relatively modest and the 19 volume of discovery for a financial case is relatively modest. ECF Dkts. 30 and 37. 20 4. The defense has not shown compelling reasons to support a third continuance of the 21 trial date in this case. 22

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Defendant's third motion to continue the trial date is DENIED. Pretrial conference remains set for April 23, 2012, at 1:30 p.m., and trial will commence on May 1, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. Dated this 12th day of April, 2012. United States District Judge